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WEATHER:

For New Haven and vicinity: Fair tonight and Friday; slightly warmer Friday.
For Connecticut: Fair and continued cold tonight; Friday, increasing cloudiness with slowly rising temperature; diminishing northwest winds shifting to easterly Friday.

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LLOYD GEORGE ASKS COMMONS TO RATIFY TREATY CAVANNA PLEADS GUILTY IN DEWEY CLUB MURDER PART OF HAMILTON'S TESTIMONY PROVED TO BE UNTRUE

DE VALERA AND COLLINS REFUSE TO COMPROMISE

Sir James Craig Declares that Ulster Will Never Enter Irish Free State—Truce Is Again Violated—Dail Eireann Again Meets In Secret—Collins and Griffith Attempted to Hold Open Session But Were Defeated.

By EARLE C. REEVES.
London, Dec. 15.—Sir James Craig, head of the Unionist government of Ulster, today notified Premier Lloyd George that it is impossible for Ulster ever to enter the Irish Free State.

This notification of Ulster's intention to maintain the present status came while the Sinn Fein parliament at Dublin and the British parliament in London were debating the Irish peace treaty.

Premier Lloyd-George asked the House of Commons this afternoon to ratify the Irish peace treaty in its original form without attempting any amendments.

In reply to questions the Premier said: "Parliament has the power to change the treaty, but alterations would destroy the pact and necessitate the reopening of negotiations. This would involve risk."

Dublin, Dec. 15.—Tension between the Sinn Fein factions over the Irish peace treaty was at fever heat when Dail Eireann met again in secret session today to continue the deliberations broken off at the last session.

Efforts to effect a compromise over the rival forces headed by Eamonn De Valera and Michael Collins apparently made little headway.

De Valera won another "oral victory" when he succeeded in having today's session held in secret. Collins and Arthur Griffith, founder of the Sinn Fein, attempted to have an open session today, but were defeated.

It is likely that an open session will be held tomorrow, and that a vote on ratification of the peace settlement will take place before Saturday.

Irish newspapers take the view that ratification should be based only upon the merits of the treaty. They contend that it was wrong to bring up the issue whether the Irish peace delegates exceeded their instructions.

This view, it is understood, is held by a number of the members of Dail Eireann. They contend that, if the treaty is acceptable to the people, it should be ratified regardless of the manner in which it was signed.

A large crowd began gathering about University College building before 11 o'clock, the hour for the opening of the third session of Dail Eireann. The leaders were cheered as they entered.

"Husband" Proves To Be Woman—
"Wife" In Tears

Boston, Dec. 15.—Ethel Kimball, 29, was indicted today charged with larceny following her arrest and the subsequent discovery that the woman had for two years successfully masqueraded as a man and for several weeks as the legally wedded husband of pretty Louise Achtler. The bride weepingly declared that she and her husband were in a love affair.

The woman, who is now in custody, was charged with larceny of a machine in a fraudulent manner.

\$75,000 Clothing Stock Destroyed By Flames

Fire department officials today started an investigation to determine the origin of a fire which swept through the store of the Outlet Clothing company.

The fire, which started in the rear of the store, caused damage conservatively estimated at \$30,000. The ruined interior of the store was thoroughly examined this morning.

CHARGES PLEA FROM 1ST DEGREE MURDER TO MANSLAUGHTER

Furnishing one of the greatest surprises in the Fairfield county Superior criminal courts since the conclusion of the famous Wade murder trial, Harry Cavanaugh, one of six men held in connection with the alleged murder of Bernard Kilkelly, also of Stamford, pleaded guilty to manslaughter.

Cavanaugh, who was a well known sporting man of Stamford, was expected to be arraigned with the other five, before the grand jury. Shortly before the grand jury was called, at 1:45 this morning, Judge Allyn L. Brown came to the bench. Immediately the court being opened, Sheriff Simeon Pease read the indictment.

Clark Lyons read the indictment charging him with manslaughter in connection with the killing of Kilkelly and he pleaded guilty. It is expected that he will be sentenced to a term of years.

The five men held, all who gave Stamford as their address, are: Alex. Matrin, George Wignall, William King, William Richman, and John Bruno. These men are alleged to have entered the notorious Dewey Club with a stone's throw of one of Stamford's best business sections.

The entrance was forced about midnight on August 28. The purpose was robbery. Several thousands of dollars and many valuables were taken from the club. Among them was Kilkelly. He was an employee of the Connecticut company.

As the masked bandits were about to leave, he apparently made a move to resist the robbers. He was floor-

ed with a blow, and his prostrate form made the target for many vicious and cruel blows and kicks. The gang vanished. Other frequenters, because of the place being supposedly "protected" by the police, lost some time, not knowing that Kilkelly was dead.

It was more than an hour before a formal alarm was given. The five men held for indictment for first degree murder were apprehended before daybreak. It was several days later before Cavanaugh, who apparently did not fear the authorities, and who remained calmly in Stamford, was taken into custody.

The Dewey club had long been a place of unending protest by the better element of the Lock City.

Several men of prominence throughout the county are on the grand jury, including Stephen T. Palmer, who unwittingly placed the can of gasoline on a Bridgeport bound trolley car; later causing 10 deaths, being one of the number.

Charles Hart, Bethel, one of the County Commissioners, also is on the grand jury.

Others are John Molloy, 809 Norman street; Ralph C. Keeler, 4433 Main street; Watson D. Hayden, 2394 Main street; Louis Lieberman, 38 West Liberty street; George H. Campbell, 323 Maple street; Edward B. Morehouse and Frank E. Morgan, Fairfield; Frank J. Palmer and Newton S. Johnson, Greenwich; William K. Mix, Newtown; W. R. Keeler, Ridgefield; Edward E. Crowe, South Norwalk; William L. Crawford, Stratford; Orville Burton and Rev. W. F. White, Trumbull; and Edward O. Birge, Westport.

Suspended Sentence For One Year In Reckard Case

ELUSIVE \$4,000 GARNISHEED

Hinging upon the important fact that the once elusive \$4,000, in the Edward F. Hall bankruptcy proceedings, was garnished before the polls closed on election day, William J. Lavery, temporary receiver for Hall, filed a petition yesterday afternoon in the office of referee in bankruptcy, John Keogh.

The petition, stating that the money was garnished, while in the hands of Peter F. Callahan, steward at the Elks' club on State street, asked that the \$4,000 be turned over to him, as receiver, to be included in the assets of the defunct contracting business.

The fact that the garnishee was placed before the polls closed, believed by Attorney Joseph Shapiro to make the money part of the bankruptcy assets, no matter what the result of the court action, produced the elusive \$4,000. Previous to that a fruitless search of a safe deposit box at the T. L. Watson & Co. bank had been made, this box having been rented shortly before noon, election day. Hall had placed his \$4,000 reserve for work for the city, a bet on former Mayor Wilson. The next hearing on the matter will be tomorrow.

NO WARRANTS SERVED AT NEW HAVEN YET

New Haven, Dec. 15.—Warrants were not served today as stated by City Attorney Whitaker based on evidence obtained by officers sent by Chief of Police Smith to the city of New England to inspect the properties, which are required to be disposed of by the New Haven, under the terms of the consent decree entered in New York in October, 1914, as a result of Sherman anti-trust proceedings instituted by the government.

As a result of his inspection, Mr. Daugherty said, he found the trolley in much better physical condition than he had expected. The legal matters involved in winding up this matter were simple, he said, but the government was bound upon to decide what would be the most advantageous course to the public.

The trolley lines, Mr. Daugherty added, were of vital importance to New England and it would require careful study to determine whether their sale by the New Haven should be ordered or whether it would be in the best interests of the public to allow their return to their original owners.

ENGLISH POUND ON INCREASE.

According to the postal bulletin issued by the Post Office department the English Pound has increased to \$4.46. The pound has been on the increase for some time and has now reached its highest point since the war. At one time the pound was only worth \$3.75 in American money.

In the issuing of international money orders the pound will be rated at \$4.40. The franc of Belgium and France was rated at 10c exactly one-half of the pre-war rate. The krona of Sweden will be rated at 36c.

CUMMINGS SHATTERS CLAIM OF ALDERMAN THAT HE VOTED FOR VENESS ON BOTH BALLOTS

Members of Board of Aldermen Identify Ballots Cast at Election of President By Means of Elimination—Two Remaining Ballots Must Have Been Alderman Hamilton's; One for Price and the Other for Veness.

County Commissioner Frank E. Ballard was summoned before State's Attorney Homer S. Cummings this noon, and questioned as to his knowledge of the attempt to bribe Alderman Walter J. Hartnett. Commissioner Ballard was summoned by High Sheriff Simeon Pease, and entered the state's attorney's office at 12:13. He was interrogated at length by Mr. Cummings as to his knowledge of the bribe, and certain alleged circumstances connected with the attempt.

To Appear Before Judge. State's Attorney Cummings after the conference admitted that he will appear before Judge Allyn L. Brown in the Criminal Superior court this afternoon. While he would not commit himself as to whether or not he could apply for the issuance of one or more bench warrants for the arrest of alleged "higher-ups" in the case, he admitted that his appearance would be in connection with the bribery case.

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GRIFFITH MAY BE IRISH PREMIER

London, Dec. 15.—Prediction of a referendum on the Irish people's wish for an overwhelming vote for ratification was made in a Dublin despatch to the Evening Standard today. If this comes to pass, Arthur Griffith undoubtedly will become Ireland's first premier, the despatch added.

AUTO STRUCK AND OVERTURNED BY BUS.

An automobile owned by Bradford D. Pierce, of Brooklawn Park and driven by T. E. Larsen, of 1153 Capitol avenue was struck and overturned by a jitney, bus operated by Edward L. Schump, of Stratford, at John and West avenue shortly after five o'clock yesterday afternoon. One man was injured in the accident, and no arrests have been made as yet. The police are investigating.

MAY FORM NEW CABINET.

Lisbon, Dec. 15.—A coalition cabinet probably will be constructed to take the place of the Pinto Ministry which resigned yesterday. It was stated today in official quarters. So far, no man has been selected as premier. The cabinet resigned as a result of unrest throughout the country.

BIG THREE IN SECRET AGAIN

Washington, Dec. 15.—The Big Three of the Armament conference—Hughes, Balfour and Katow went into secret session again shortly before noon today to iron out the final details of the naval ratio agreement. They met in the office of Secretary of State Hughes.

One of the chief details to be adjusted, according to authentic information at the time of the meeting, is the character of the ships which Britain will be permitted to construct as an offset to Japan's retention of the Mutsu and America's retention of the Colorado and the Washington.

Reversing a ruling made by Compensation Commissioner Buckingham, a decision handed down today by Judge Frank D. Haines, of Superior court, suspends the appeal in the case of Jerome Goetz, against J. Compo.

Both men are of Danbury, the latter owing a bakery where the former was employed. On October 23, last, Buckingham awarded Goetz \$13 a week from January 14, to April 25, last. This represented the time he was out of employment. Doctors' bills were also ordered paid by Compo. Goetz had taken pneumonia, from the sudden change of temperature, and had been in hospital for last winter. He ran from the place and took refuge in a nearby shed. The Judge ruled that his sickness did not occur while working.

MEETING POSTPONED.

The regular meeting of the Board of Police Commissioners scheduled for tonight, has been postponed because of the fact that one member of the board is out of town.

SALOONKEEPERS ARRAIGNED

Two Bridgeport saloon keepers who were arrested last night on warrants after samples of cider seized in their place were found to contain one-half of one per cent. alcoholic, were arraigned in the city court today on charges of violating the liquor laws. Judgment was suspended in the case of Joseph Zodrusek 465 Spruce street and Frank Samu of 287 Howard avenue was fined \$25 and costs.

JITNEYMEN IN COURT.

The cases of three jitney men who were arrested yesterday for overloading their machines, were disposed of in the city court today as follows: Dominic Dirigo, 147 Thompson street, fined on payment of \$10; Albert R. Murphy, Long Hill, fined on payment of \$5, and Nicholas Sharkey, 80 Federal street, fined on payment of \$8.

CORONER INVESTIGATING.

Norwalk, Dec. 15.—Coroner Phelan came here from Bridgeport today to investigate the murder of Mrs. Theresa Naggy, shot and killed at her home yesterday by her husband, Louis Naggy. Naggy was still in the hospital today suffering from a self-inflicted shot wound in the head which may yet prove fatal.

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rests in Norwalk are expected today by officials who are in charge of the investigation.

Michael Sereno, a Norwalk barber, Joseph Ziernan and John O'Donnell, both of New York city were brought to Bridgeport last night, after being arrested in Norwalk, and will be committed to the Fairfield County Jail today. All three are said to be members of the automobile stealing gang. They were photographed and their Bertillon measurements taken today by Lieutenant George Haux, of the local police department.